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BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Midwest Natural Gas, Inc. for Authority to Increase  
Rates for Natural Gas Service

3670-GR-102

**NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

<b>Prehearing Conference Date:</b>	<b>Monday, December 11, 2000 – 8:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Conference Location:</b>	<b>Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI</b>

**THIS IS A PROCEEDING** to consider the application of Midwest Natural Gas, Inc. (MNG) filed on February 25, 2000, under Wis. Stat. § § 196.03, 196.20, and 196.37, for authority to increase rates for natural gas services. The application contained MNG's financial and jurisdictional cost information. Copies of the application, prefiled testimony, and exhibits may be obtained by written request to MNG at its office at P.O. Box 429, La Crosse, Wisconsin 54602.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Commission will hold a prehearing conference on Monday, December 11, 2000, at 8:30 a.m. in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the case coordinator listed below.

The prehearing conference is being held to: (1) identify persons who will actively participate as parties; (2) identify issues; (3) determine the date and time for a hearing; (4) specify dates for filing testimony and exhibits; and (5) any other matters that will facilitate the hearing.

Parties will be bound by the designation of issues and the schedule adopted at the prehearing conference. Persons who consider themselves to be potential parties should participate in the prehearing conference. Any person desiring to become a party shall file a request pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.32(3) no later than 14 days from the date of this notice. The request shall be addressed to Administrative Law Judge

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Jeffrey J. Patzke, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The authority to decide this rate case is delegated by the Commission to the Administrator of the Natural Gas Division.

The Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Questions from the media may be directed to Jeffrey L. Butson, Public Affairs Director at (608) 267-0912.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Jodee J. Bartels at (608) 267-9859.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, \_\_\_\_\_

By the Commission:

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Lynda L. Dorr  
Secretary to the Commission

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